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FOR: ALPHA-HYDROXY,-AMINO AND:
-FLUORO DERIVATIVES OF
BETA-SULPHONYL HYDROXAMIC
ACIDS AS MATRIX
METALLOPROTEINASES INHIBITORS

AMENDMENT

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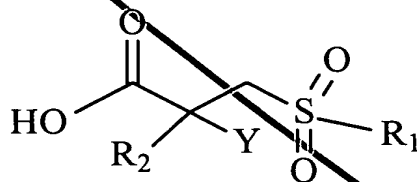
AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Official Action, mailed April 26, 2002, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 4 and 6 as follows:

--4. (Amended) A compound formula 8:



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